

NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS
By (Inventors): Kazuyuki KAZAMI

- Formal drawings (Figs. 1-5; 5 sheets) are attached.
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
 An assignment of the invention to NIKON CORPORATION is filed herewith.

 An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.

 A statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is filed herewith.

 A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.

 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.--
 Priority of foreign application No. 11-33218 filed February 10, 2000 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
 A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
 The filing fee is calculated below:

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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES
	\$ 345
x 9 =	\$
x 39 =	\$
+130 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

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OR	RATE	FEES
OR		\$ 690
OR	x 18	\$ 0
OR	x 78	\$ 0
OR	+260	\$ 0
OR	TOTAL	\$ 690

- Check No. 106197 in the amount of \$690.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. Except as otherwise noted herein, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.
- This application is entitled to small entity status. DO NOT charge large entity fees to our Deposit Account.

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